

Processed Chicken: National Mechanically Separated Chicken (Fri.) Agricultural Marketing Service

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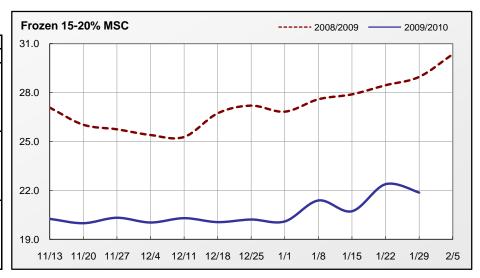
Poultry Market News & Analysis Branch

(F.O.B. Shipper Dock or equivalent; negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes reported in thousand pound quantities, cents/pound; delivery within 2 weeks.)

The trade sentiment was fully steady to firm on frozen 15-20% and mostly steady on the balance of fat contents. Supplies of fresh 15-20% were adequate to available, frozen 15-20% about adequate, and at least sufficient on the remainder of fat contents. Supplies of raw materials were barely adequate with good export interest. Overall the spot marketplace was generally quiet this week as many buyers and sellers had made any necessary preparations the previous week with the intention of attending the International Poultry Expo. Export and domestic demand was fair on fresh 15-20% and moderate to good on frozen 15-20%. Most trade interest and movement was noted into Central America; Mexico was quiet. Schedules were generally normal, however some were awaiting the results of impending winter weather conditions over the next few days. Frame values were fully steady.

Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

		Frozen		Fresh			
Fat Content	29-Jan-10	Last Week	Last Year	29-Jan-10	Last Week	Last Year	
15% or Less							
Price Range			-	19.00 - 21.00	17.00 - 19.00	28.00-29.00	
Wtd Avg Price			-	19.80	18.44	28.16	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	204	367	255	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	55	
15-20%							
Price Range	18.00 - 25.00	19.00 - 25.50	28.00-31.00	16.00 - 21.50	15.50 - 21.00	22.00-29.00	
Wtd Avg Price	21.87	22.38	28.96	17.80	17.62	24.74	
Volume Traded	1,294	1,268	888	3,162	3,652	3,068	
Volume Exported	1,094	1,088	847	163	347	734	
20% or More							
Price Range	-	-	-	16.00 - 17.00	16.00	24.00	
Wtd Avg Price			-	16.33	16.00	24.00	
Volume Traded	-	-	-	122	82	82	
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-	



Annual MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

	Frozen			Fresh		
Fat Content	2009	2008	2007	2009	2008	2007
15% or Less						
Wtd Avg Price	21.55	24.01	17.43	24.53	22.58	16.30
Volume Traded	336	3,136	14,689	15,232	13,790	20,970
Volume Exported	216	2,414	13,122	1,571	446	627
15-20%						
Wtd Avg Price	25.20	24.51	17.61	21.31	19.16	12.91
Volume Traded	85,079	78,815	81,625	157,963	140,572	126,860
Volume Exported	74,059	68,238	72,685	41,141	29,789	29,872
20% or More						
Wtd Avg Price	-	-	-	20.18	19.40	13.98
Volume Traded	-	-	-	3,875	3,408	4,690
Volume Exported	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note: Volume exported refers to that portion of the total volume that is destined for export markets.

